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St. Joseph's Gains Alumni



THE LAST ACADEMIC PROCESSION at St. Joe's for the Class of '54 was led by Fr. Pax from Administration Building to the Auditorium, where Bachelor's degrees were conferred on 46 graduating seniors, two priests and one sister, and an honorary LL.D. degree on House Majority Leader Charles Halleck, shown at left with Bishop John G. Bennett, who presided.

Halleck Given Degree, Addresses 46 Graduates

The Hon. Charles A. Halleck, majority leader of the U. S. House of Representatives, received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree on June 6 at St. Joseph's College, where he also delivered the Commencement address to St. Joe's 46 graduating seniors.

The Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated earlier in the day in the College chapel by the Most Rev. John G. Bennett, bishop of the Lafayette diocese. Bishop Bennett also presided at the Commencement exercises, held at 2 p. m. in the College auditorium, where he presented the diplomas to the graduates. A reception for the honored guests, graduates, parents and friends was held immediately afterward in Raleigh Hall.

The college conferred the honorary LL.D. degree on Mr. Halleck, a native of Rensselaer, in recognition of his long and distinguished service to the state of Indiana and to the United States, and in appreciation for his long friendship with St. Joseph's College.

The Congressman emphasized in his talk that slavery is more to be feared than H-bombs. "The rise of communism and the development of instruments of mass destruction have generated the greatest challenge in world history to people who believe in the dignity of man and Christian principles," he said.

"The knowledge that hope springs eternal in the human heart is our great secret weapon in this cold war of free men against slave states," he continued, "but we dare not rest in the fight to preserve human liberty."

Mr. Halleck declared, "Ours is a continuing battle that must be fought in the laboratories, in the diplomatic councils, in government, in our homes and churches and in business and industry."

He said, "We need Christian men and women who can guide new generations through the dif-

ficult years that lie ahead . . . We have won many wars against tyranny in the past, but we have yet to win a secure and lasting peace."

"Whether we finally win it depends not on the limits of our material resources, nor the size of our population; but on the basic character of our people."

Mr. Halleck said the salvation of America, and through this nation the whole free world, may well lie in the effective contributions of such educational institutions as St. Joseph's College, "where intelligent Christianity and Christian ethics are taught as an integral part of their curricula."

Coldwater Alumnus Succumbs to Illness

Alois P. Link, ex-'10, Coldwater, Ohio, died April 17 following an illness of six months. He was 64 years old.

Funeral services were held April 20 in Holy Trinity Church with a Solemn Requiem High Mass. Father John Antony, brother-in-law, was celebrant, with Fr. Cyril Sutter as deacon and Fr. Lawrence Jaekle as subdeacon. Paul Link, ex-'54, son of the deceased, was master of ceremonies and Marcellus Link, another son, and Eugene Mueller were acolytes.

Also present in the sanctuary were the Fathers Herbert Linenberger, '29; V. J. Fleckenstein; Leonard Goettemoeller, '45; Henry Luicks, '21; Robert Liebenack; George Lubeley, '41; Richard Doyle, '41; William Kramer, '41; and Anthony Gamble, '38.

Surviving besides his widow are the following children: Anthony, Coldwater; Marcellus, S.J. Jesuit College, West Baden, Ind.; Mrs. Ralph Schmit, Coldwater; Sister M. Caroline, C.P.P.S., Cleveland; Gertrude, at home; and Paul, a student at St. Charles Seminary, Carthage.

Hugh McAvoy Named As Field Secretary For Alumni Association

Hugh C. McAvoy, two-term Student Council president, a veteran of five years duty with the U. S. Air Force, and a June 6 graduate of St. Joseph's, has been appointed as field secretary for the Alumni Association.

McAvoy's duties, which he assumes on June 15, will consist largely of helping alumni chapters with their organization and continuing progress.

Born 30 years ago in Racine, Wis., McAvoy attended high



school at DeLasalle in Chicago. He was on active Air Force duty from 1942 to 1946, after which he worked for the Bureau of Internal Revenue in Chicago until 1950. After one year at St. Joe's, he was recalled to military service for one year in 1951, returning to Collegeville the following year. His home is at 4311 W. Grand Ave., Chicago.

McAvoy's popularity on the campus, with students, faculty and administration alike, has been due to a variety of traits, all of which promise tremendous success in his new job: A mature and practical viewpoint, great energy and organizational ability, and an

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William Curosh Elected New Alumni President

William Curosh, '40, of Whiting, Ind., has been elected president of the St. Joseph's Alumni Association.

Robert Kaple, '38, of Findlay, Ohio, is the new first vice-president, and Richard Cody, '41, of

Louisville, Ky., was elected as second vice-president.

Bill Curosh, who has come to be called "Mr. St. Joe" around Whiting, is a former president of the Lake County Chapter and the first recipient of the "St. Joe Man-of-the-Year" award given by that chapter. Captain of the football team while at St. Joseph's and a member of the Puma baseball team, he is now owner of Curosh's Store on 119th Street in Whiting. Bill is extremely active in civic affairs in Whiting and Hammond. He and his wife, the former Dolores Dvorscak, and their three children reside at 2025 Stanton Avenue.

Bob Kaple, whose home is at 318 Locust Street in Findlay, is supervisor of the City Loan and Savings Company there. A 1938 graduate of St. Joseph's, he was married at the college in 1939 to Miss Helen Bertsch. They have one child, Karen Ruth.

Dick Cody, a claims adjuster for the Louisville Transit Company, lives at 4193 Blenheim in that city. A veteran of USAAF duty, he holds the Air Medal with four clusters, and the D.F.C. In 1941 he was married to Miss Pauline A. Tonner, a daughter of Prof. Paul Tonner of the St. Joseph's faculty. They now have three children.

Fr. Gross Appointed For Second Term

The Very Rev. Raphael H. Gross, C.P.P.S., has been appointed president of St. Joseph's College for his second three-year term of office.

The letter of appointment from the Provincial of the Society of the Precious Blood was read at the college's Commencement exercises on June 6.

To Celebrate, Break Ground On Feast Day

All alumni are invited to return to the campus on Thursday, July 1, for one of the most significant days in the college's recent history . . .

On the morning of July 1, the Feast day of the Most Precious Blood, St. Joseph's will officially celebrate the June 12 canonization of St. Gaspar, founder of the Society of the Precious Blood. In the afternoon, ground will be broken for the two new residence halls.

Bishop John G. Bennett will offer Pontifical High Mass at 10:00 a. m., with a sermon by Father Edwin Kaiser. Dinner will follow at 12:30.

The official ground-breaking ceremony is scheduled for 3 p. m. General contractor bids were opened June 8 at St. Joseph's. The eleven bids ranged from \$421,781.00 to \$506,543.00 for the two buildings, complete but unfurnished and unlandscaped. Low bidder was the E. A. Marhofer, Jr., Company of Chicago, to whom the contract was let on June 14.

Construction of Archbishop Noll Hall and Bennett Hall is expected to begin immediately.

Those alumni planning to be at St. Joe's for dinner at 12:30 on July 1 should inform the college as soon as possible.

New Alumni Chapter To Form at Glandorf

Alumni representatives of the various communities of the Glandorf, O., area, meeting May 16 in Glandorf for Mass and breakfast, voted to form a new alumni chapter with Glandorf as the focal point because of its central location.

Fr. Edward Roof of St. Joseph's met with the group, which also included wives of the alumni attending.

The new chapter will really be a reactivation of the former Delphos unit, comprising approximately the same geographical area in western and central Ohio.

A Communion breakfast and election of officers is scheduled for Oct. 3.

President



William Curosh

St. Joseph's to Benefit From Standard Oil Gift

Associated Colleges of Indiana have received a gift of \$21,000 from Standard Oil Foundation, Inc., to help 12 privately financed liberal arts colleges in this state. St. Joseph's College is one of those which will benefit.

Other recipients of the grant are: Anderson, DePauw, Earlham, Evansville, Franklin, Hanover, Indiana Central, Manchester, Rose Polytechnic, Valparaiso and Wabash.

The gift was Indiana's share of \$150,000 the Standard Oil Foundation set aside this year for distribution to aid more than 140 private colleges in 14 Midwest states. Like a similar gift by the company last year, the funds will be distributed on the basis of the association's own formula.

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Randall E. Decker Brother Cletus, '18

Bishop Isсенmann Is Consecrated

A large number of bishops, several hundred priests, civic officials and other invited guests filled to capacity St. Monica's Cathedral, Cincinnati, for the consecration of Auxiliary Bishop Clarence G. Isсенmann, '27, on May 25.

The ceremony began with a procession into the Cathedral at 10:15 a. m. and continued until about 12:30. Archbishop K. Alter was the consecrator, assisted by Archbishop Urban J. Vehr of Denver and Bishop George J. Reh-ring of Toledo. Msgr. Paul F. Leibold, chancellor of the Cin-cinnati diocese, delivered the sermon.

A dinner in the Sheraton-Gibson Hotel, and a reception in the Catholic Lending Library adjoining St. Louis' Church, followed the consecration ceremonies.

The new bishop administered the sacraments of Confirmation for the first time in St. Mary's Church, Greenville, on Ascension Thursday.

Fr. J. H. Steinbrunner Dies After Long Illness

Pontifical Requiem Mass was sung in Sacred Heart Church, Camp Washington, Cincinnati, on May 19 for the pastor, Father Joseph H. Steinbrunner, '05, who died May 15.

Father Steinbrunner, who was 71, had been in ill health in recent years and was confined to Good Samaritan Hospital, Cin-cinnati, for three weeks before his death.

Archbishop K. Alter officiated at the Funeral Mass, with Msgr. William J. Anthony of St. Teresa's Church, Cincinnati, as assisting priest.

Survivors include three sisters, Mrs. Rose Tully, who was Father Steinbrunner's housekeeper for 26 years; Mrs. Dick Remakulis, Ft. Recovery; and Mrs. Lee Grass-baugh, Columbus; and three brothers, Roman Steinbrunner, Ft. Recovery; Dan Steinbrunner, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; and Alva Steinbrun-ner, Akron, Ohio.

Alumni Quickies

Three Collegevillians are now in Rome: Fr. Joseph Kenkel, '13, Fr. Richard Baird, '35, and Br. Cletus Scheuer, ex-'18 . . . Jeweler Stanley A. Backman, '15, operates his retail store on N. Main St. in Ottawa, Ohio. The Beckman family of seven children has a pair of twin boys, Joseph and John, who are seventeen . . . Fr. Alexius Schuette, '03, has been appointed chaplain at St. Joseph Hospital, Rice Lake, Wis., and Fr. Leo Sponar at Visitation Convent, Richmond, Va. . . John F. Laughlin, ex-'49, a graduate of Notre Dame Law School and a member of both Indiana and Illinois bars, is currently in private practice in Chicago with the law firm of Ross, Berch-am and Swantes . . . Fr. Eugene Omlor, '15, underwent an abdominal operation March 30, at Mercy Hospital in Des Moines. Recovering rapidly, he was back at the job in Center-ville long before the end of April . . . Major Anthony J. La-Torra, brother of Al LaTorra, '54, one of our newest alums, died suddenly June 8, of a heart attack at the age of 37. He was one of Al's few remaining close relatives . . . Fr. Norman Koller, '32, has been taken to St. Mary's Hospital in Kansas City, where recovering from his accident injuries is slow but sure . . . A 1950 grad, Robert L. Beeching is a drafts-man for the American Bridge Division in Gary. Bob was married to Miss Elizabeth Walter of Rensselaer in 1951 and they have a daughter, Pamela Lou, born Feb. 22, 1952 . . . Fr. Paul Buehler, '41, has been appointed as assistant at Holy Angels Church in Dayton, and Fr. Stanley Tuszyński as second assistant at Immaculate Conception Church in Celina . . . Louis E. Joseph, ex-'53, will be graduated from the University of Detroit with a B.A. on June 16. His address: 5438 Town-send, Detroit 13 . . . Fr. Joseph Herod, '31, is now chaplain at St. Rose Convent, LaCrosse, Wis. . . Fr. Augustine Han-chak, '47, has been appointed to the Chilean Vicariate, S. A. . . Hubert J. Miller, '51, received his Master's degree in American history from St. Louis University on the first of June. His Master's paper was a study of Jefferson's theory of education. He plans to enter the Foreign Service School at Georgetown University in September . . . James W. Bruskotter, ex-'38, has been manager of the Organization Planning De-partment of the Ohio Oil Company at Findlay, Ohio, since last year. Jim was with the company's Tulsa office as Executive Secretary for seven years and received his A.B. from the University of Tulsa in 1950.

Pumas Diamond Champs; Dwinell All-Conference



Dick Dwinell, '56

St. Joseph's Pumas have been officially declared the 1954 Base-ball Champions of the Indiana Collegiate Conference.

Jim Beane's Pumas edged out Butler by one game in replacing Valparaiso as the Diamond King of the conference. This champion-ship marks the second crown for a St. Joseph's team since the conference began competition in 1950, and their first undisputed honor. Their 1952-53 basketball team shared the championship that season with Butler.

Following close on the cham-pionship announcement was one naming St. Joe's Dick Dwinell to the 1954 All-Conference team. Dwinell, a sophomore from Lin-colnwood, Ill., missed unanimous selection as All-Conference pitcher by only one vote.

The Puma crew earned the championship the hard way. After leading the standings most of the season, they went into a tail-spin by dropping two straight conference games for an 8 and 3 record prior to their last game. Going into the last inning of this contest against Butler with a 5 to 0 deficit facing them and the conference crown hanging in the balance, the Pumas fought back like true champions to score six runs. This dramatic finish robbed Butler of their last chance, and the Pumas had the crown.

FINAL STANDINGS

St. Joseph's	9	3	.750
Butler	8	4	.667
Valparaiso	5	5	.500
Ball State	5	6	.455
Evansville	4	5	.444
DePauw	4	8	.333
Indiana State	4	8	.333

Fr. Frank N. Crawford Is Ordained in Toledo

Father Frank N. Crawford, ex-'50, was ordained to the holy priesthood at 10 a. m., May 29, by the Most Rev. George J. Reh-ring in the Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Church, Toledo.

A reception was held from 7 to 9 p. m. in the Apices Room, Civic Nic Nac.

Fr. Crawford, a son of Mrs. Clair C. Crawford, said his first Mass in St. Wendelin's Church, Fostoria, Ohio, where he also gave his first priestly blessing and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.



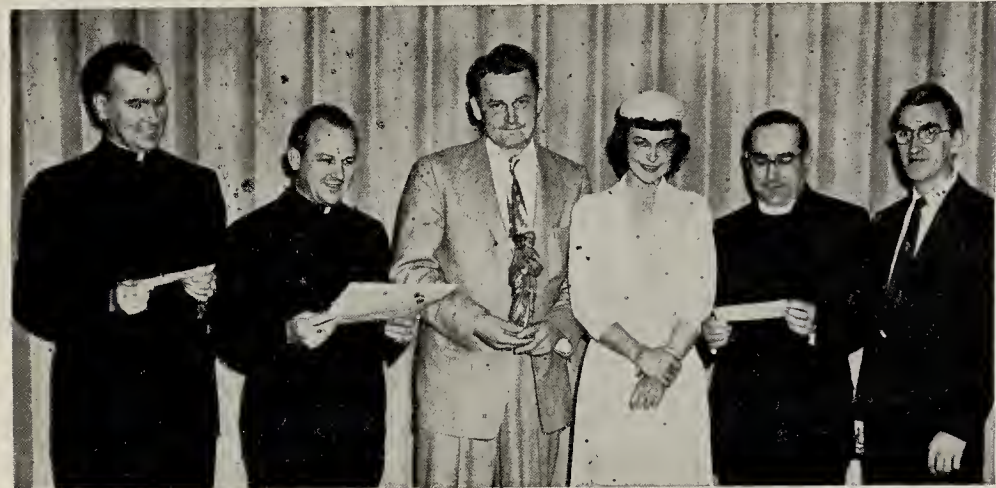
AT THE BIG J-O-E DINNER IN JASPER last month, the head table looked something like this. Shown above, left to right: Fr. Cletus Kern, '31; Jim Taylor, ex-'43; Fr. Norman Heckman, '35; Bernie Hoffman, '43, chapter president; Fr. John Lefko, '32; and Roy Stone, '50, vice-president.



THE ALUMNI OF '55 were photographed just before forming for their last procession as a class group. In the lower row, left to right: John D. Thorpe, Chicago; A. Vincent Agnew (Cum Laude), Vermilion, O.; Hugh C. McAvoy, Chicago; Richard P. Doherty (Magna Cum Laude), Ottawa, Ill.; Edward M. Linskey, Skokie, Ill.; James J. Righeimer, Chicago; Murray W. Sims, Chicago; Edward J. Flynn, Chicago; Paul S. Steigmeyer, Ft. Wayne; Robert W. Gregoire, Danville, Ill.; Richard F. Kotheimer (Cum Laude), Youngstown, O.; George J. Smolar (Cum Laude), Whiting; Kenneth R. Hilty, Crown Point, Ind.; and Kenneth J. Ryan, Gary, Ind. Back row, left to right: Robert B. O'Connor, Gary, Ind.; Fred D. Handler, Chicago; John F. Englehart, Oak Park, Ill.; Don L. Kligenberger, Ft. Wayne; James L. Hoess, Munster, Ind.; Elmer J. Molchan, Gary, Ind.; Albert J. LaTorra, Chicago; Ronald J. Cherry, Chicago; William J. Zimmer (Magna Cum Laude), Covington, Ky.; Theodore G. Beemsterboer, Chicago; Carl B. Kohlin, Marquette, Mich.; William E. Lamb, Elkhart, Ind.; William R. Fergus, Chicago; Bernard J. Boff (Cum Laude), Defiance, O.; Edmund S. Ashburner, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Francis J. Molson (Magna Cum Laude), Whiting, Ind.; James C. Noll, Ft. Wayne; Wayne F. Howe, Chicago; George R. Kuhn (Magna Cum Laude), Detroit; William H. Fremgen, Arlington Heights, Ill.; F. Keith Forton, Traverse City, Mich.; Buel T. Adams (Summa Cum Laude), Mansfield, O.; Frank W. Schroeder, Leipsic, O.; Ralph C. Meyer, Leipsic, O.; Philip J. Kauchak (Cum Laude), Whiting, Ind.; and John M. Klintz, Van Wert, O. Six members of the class were unable to be present for the photograph: Joseph L. Happ of Park Ridge, Ill., who had already been called to the colors; and the following men who had completed their work in February—Frank Lynn of Chicago; William J. Kun of Perth Amboy, N. J.; William F. Miller of Canton, O.; J. Cotter Tharin of W. Palm Beach, Fla.; and James E. Wintercorn of Chicago.



ALUMNI COACHES who visited St. Joe's physical education department on May 17 for the purposes of observation and making recommendations, had lunch with administration officials and physical education majors. A part of the luncheon group is seen here. Around the table, beginning at lower left, are: Dick Scharf, basketball coach and assistant athletic director; Ted Ashburner, '54; Jim Hoess, '54; Chuck Levandowski, '43; Barney Badke, '39; Father Raphael H. Gross, president; Jim Buckley, '48; Father Walter Pax, dean; Fred Handler, '54; Jim Righeimer, '54; and John Kintz, '54. (Photo by Fr. Baird.)



THE LAKE COUNTY CHAPTER made lots of people happy on the night of April 29. In the above photograph, left to right: Father James I. Birkley, director the Calumet Extension Center, who received a check for one thousand dollars to further the education program of the center; Father Joseph Smolar, chapter moderator; Dr. Frank Benchik, '42, honored as the "St. Joe Man-of-the-Year" in the Lake County area; Mrs. Benchik; Father John M. Lefko, who acted for the president in accepting a thousand-dollar scholarship fund for St. Joseph's; and John Gazda, chapter president.

Korean Student Comes Far For Collegeville Education

Although the men of St. Joseph's hail from various parts of the world, the student who came the farthest from home to obtain the benefits of a Collegeville education is Freshman Paschal Chang. Chang's home is in Seoul, the capital city of the Republic of Korea.

Enrolling at St. Joseph's under the sponsorship of a prominent Fort Wayne attorney, he has chosen Business Administration as his major field. Paschal hopes to return to Korea after his four years at St. Joseph's, to enter private business.

For two years, in preparation for his study at St. Joseph's, Paschal attended the Seoul National University, where his father is a professor and dean of the College of Fine Arts. While at the university, he learned to speak English. Previously he had acquired a mastery of the Japanese language.

Of the ten members of his family, five are now studying in the United States. Paschal has brothers at Loras College, Dubuque, Iowa; St. Vincent College, Latrobe, Pa.; and at the Marynoll Fathers' Manual Junior Seminary at Scranton, Pa. He also has a sister who is studying at Rosary College, River Forest, Ill.

Paschal notices very little difference in the teaching methods of St. Joseph's and Seoul National University. He says that the main difference is in the size of the two schools; the Korean university has an enrollment of 10,000. This enrollment is not considered outstanding, however, because the population of Seoul is more than two million.

During the war in Korea, Paschal's home and all his family's possessions were destroyed. The entire family is strongly Roman Catholic, however, and strong in their faith of better days to come in their homeland. One of Paschal's uncles is a former prime minister of Korea, and the Changs are close friends and



staunch supporters of President Syngman Rhee.

The St. Joseph's freshman is very favorably impressed with

Two May Concerts Given at St. Joseph's

The two spring concerts at St. Joe's were presented before appreciative audiences, the choral concert on May 16, and the band concert on May 24.

The former, directed by Fr. Lawrence Heiman, '40, made use of all campus choral groups and those from the Calumet Extension and the College of St. Francis at Joliet.

Fr. Clement Kuhns, '44, directed the band concert.

the American way of life, though often confused by our language and our sports events. He is increasingly fond of American cooking, but still has no enthusiasm for our beloved Irish potato.

The quiet, likeable freshman from the other hemisphere has settled quickly into collegiate life at St. Joseph's. Although shy about entering into lively, bull-session conversation with his limited English, Paschal is listening and learning, and making many firm, quiet friendships among his classmates and faculty members.



AT THE NORTHEASTERN OHIO COMMUNION BREAKFAST, Father Herman Clocker and Msgr. Clement H. Boeke (two at left) talk things over with St. Joe alumni Carl Caston, '48, Father Sylvester Ley, '18, and Father Camillus Lutkemeier, '19.

Msgr. T. J. Travers Observes Fiftieth Anniversary Jubilee

Msgr. Thomas J. Travers, '99, vicar-general of the Lafayette diocese and pastor of St. Mary's Church in Anderson, Ind., observed his 50th anniversary jubilee there on May 23.

He was the celebrant of a Solemn Pontifical Mass, at which Bishop John G. Bennett was present. Also attending as a special guest was Msgr. Felix Serocynski, a St. Joseph's classmate of Msgr. Travers, who celebrated his own golden jubilee May 30.

A reception to honor the jubilarian was held in St. Mary's School auditorium during the evening of the celebration.

Msgr. Travers, who attended St. Paul Seminary, St. Paul, Minn., and St. Bernard Seminary in Rochester, N. Y., after leaving St. Joseph's, was ordained on June 8, 1904 by the Most Rev. Herman Joseph Alerding. After assignments at St. Vincent de Paul Church in Logansport, at St. Cecilia Church in Fairmount, and at Immaculate Conception Church in Portland, he came to St. Mary's as pastor in 1917.

Msgr. Travers was appointed dean of the Muncie deanery in 1935, and in '38 was elevated to the rank of Domestic Prelate. He became the first vicar-general of the new Diocese of Lafayette, and served as a member of the

Board of Consultors.

On Jan. 10, 1946, the title of Protonotary Apostolic was conferred on him by His Holiness Pope Pius XII. This is the highest rank of Prelacy conferred on priests living outside the City of Rome.

Since 1917, when Msgr. Travers began his pastorate at St. Mary's, a high school, a convent and other church property have been added, and in 1947 he was instrumental in founding St. Ambrose Parish in Anderson.



THE 1901 BASEBALL TEAM which was pictured in the March issue has been identified by Msgr. D. L. Monahan of Fort Wayne, Brother Walter and Fathers Ivo C. Weis, Thomas J. Quinlan, and T. F. Kramer. The latter also supplies the positions played, and writes that the last game of the season was won over Lowell, 3-2, without a single substitution by either team. The identifications, with a few corrections in spelling: First row, left to right—Charles (Trapper) Van Flandern (utility), Vermilion, Ohio; Dr. Frank Theobald (cf), deceased; and James Bach (2b), deceased, Aroca, Minn. Second row—V. Rev. Henry Hoerstman (lf), Fort Wayne; Rev. Rudolph Stoltz (c), deceased; Edmund (Tub) Wills, South Bend; John Wessel (ss), Fort Wayne; and J. Sulzer (utility). Back row—V. Rev. Robert J. Halpin (rf), Dunkirk, Ind.; Bishop William Arnold (1b), New York City; Paul Welsh (3b), Peru, Ind.; and Rev. Titus Kramer (p), Merrill, Wis.

College Buys Washburn Res.

Arrangements have been completed for the purchase by St. Joseph's College of the Dr. Ira Washburn residence at 300 Grace Street in Rensselaer.

The college, which has already taken possession, will use the large brick home as a residence for approximately 30 upper-classmen students.

Father Gross, in announcing the purchase, stated that the housing shortage on the campus is now preventing the college's continued growth and development. Although two new dormitories are planned for completion sometime during the next school year, lack of sufficient housing is still expected to be the cause for turning down many applications of worthy prospective students.

The house is located on a seven-acre tract of land which borders the river, just east of the Grace Street bridge.

☆Under the Colors☆

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Pvt. Ralph Neff
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Camp Kilmer, New Jersey
Pvt. James C. Tharin
Co. "D," 28th Inf.
Ft. Jackson, South Carolina



MOST OF FEBRUARY'S crowd of old-timers were identified by Lawrence T. Ward, '11, who was one of them. Necessarily confusing because of the informal arrangement, here they are: Front row, left to right—Robert Kiley, ex-'11, Marion, Ind.; Charles McArdle, '13 (deceased); Dudley Riley, Sedalia, Mo.; Tom Kennedy, Lafayette, Ind.; Ronald Carmody, '11 (later Rev., now deceased); William A. Butler, '12, South Bend, Ind. Second row—Martin Kennedy, ex-'12, Templeton, Ind. (deceased); Skeets Quinn, Sedalia, Mo.; Harold Moran, ex-'14; Coleman, Union City; John P. Trench, '11, (now Rev.); Thomas Harrington, '13, (later Rev. now deceased); John Welch, ex-'14, Chicago; Dan Quinn, '11, Chicago; Leo Welch, ex-'12, Indianapolis. Next row—Leon Blackman, ex-'12, Paris, Ill.; Thomas A. Lenahan, ex-'13, Indianapolis; Stephen Melady, ex-'14, Otterbein, Ind.; Richard Murphy, '14, Chicago; Bernard Bradley, ex-'13, Elwood, Ind. (deceased); Joseph Cavanaugh, '11, Washington, Ind.; James Fitzgerald, '14, (now Rev.); Lawrence T. Ward, '11, Chicago; Louis I. Freeland, ex-'12, Freeland Park, Ind.; and



ARCHBISHOP NOLL HALL OR BENNETT HALL AS DRAWN BY ARCHITECT

Muncie Pastor Priest 50 Years

A Solemn High Mass, banquet and reception marked the Golden Jubilee of his ordination to the holy priesthood for Msgr. Felix T. Serocynski, '99, who has served as pastor of St. Lawrence Church, Muncie, since 1940.

Bishop John G. Bennett and Auxiliary Bishop Leo Pursley, were present for the celebration.

Msgr. Serocynski, a native of Warsaw, Ind., attended Mt. St. Mary's Seminary, Price Hill, Cincinnati, after graduation from St. Joseph's. He was ordained June 18, 1904, in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne, by the Most Rev. Herman Joseph Alerding.

After serving in various parishes throughout the diocese, Msgr. Serocynski was appointed dean of the South Bend deanery in 1931, which office he retained until his transfer to St. Lawrence Church in 1940. He was named chamberlain to His Holiness Pope Pius XI in 1938, and was invested as Domestic Prelate in 1941.

Ft. Wayne Donations Pass \$19,000 Mark

Contributions for Archbishop Noll Hall are still coming in regularly from both the clergy and the laypeople of the Fort Wayne diocese.

At the time of the latest tally, more than \$19,000 had been donated for the new dormitory.



LOCATIONS FOR THE TWO NEW DORMITORIES are outlined in black on the photograph above. Other buildings are numbered as follows: (1) Dwenger Hall, (2) Noll Hall, to be renamed, (3) Gaspar Hall, (4) Science Hall, (5) Seifert Hall, (6) Powerhouse, (7) Tool Sheds, to be removed, (8) Old Dairy Barn, already razed, (9) White House, a temporary housing for students, and (10) New Dairy Barn.

Fr. Conroy Gives Speech Award

A fine old St. Joseph's tradition was re-born on May 25 when, after a lapse of many years, a Conroy Award was made to a first-year speech student.

For more than thirty years before his death, Msgr. Thomas M. Conroy made such an award. This year his nephew, Fr. James Conroy, '32, decided to revive and perpetuate the custom.

Fr. Conroy, the founder and

guiding light of The Fighting 69th, a worldwide Christian youth organization, has long been interested in helping to develop "a more articulate laity." He believes that to succeed in business or industry, the professions, or in spreading the word of God, the need for better self-expression has grown more and more urgent in modern times.

Author of a regular weekly column in "Our Sunday Visitor," Fr. Conroy is also the chaplain at Victory-Noll, the mother house and novitiate of Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters in Huntington, Ind.

The donor of the speech award, a gold medal and cash prize, was on hand to make the presentation. Six final contestants delivered their speeches in the auditorium before a large group of students and a panel of three judges.

Top winner was Noel Coughlin, a second-year Xavier Hall student from Pittsburg, Pa. James Zid, a junior from Berwyn, Ill., was rated in second place, and third-place winner was John K. Miller, another Xavier student from Lackawanna, N. Y.

R. T. Burns Promoted In Foreign Service

President Eisenhower recently nominated Robert T. Burns, ex-'50, of Indianapolis, to be a Class Six foreign service officer.

Burns presently is a reserve foreign service officer, having been appointed to the foreign service as a Class Nine officer in 1953.

He is a native of Chicago, but was graduated from Cathedral High School, Indianapolis, in 1946, later attending St. Joseph's for two years.

Burns was a staff sergeant in the Army during World War II, serving overseas. He wrote a book, "Perfect Invader," which was published in 1950.

Since 1953 he has been on foreign service duty in Bonn, Germany.

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intense loyalty to his Alma Mater. Under his presidency the Student Council has attained a stature and influence never before known at St. Joe's.

Fr. Earl Weis To Be Ordained

The Rev. Earl A. Weis, '41, S.J., son of Mr. and Mrs. S. I. Weis, 957 Prouty Ave., Toledo, will be ordained to the sacred priesthood in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit, Weston College, Weston, Mass., on June 19. The Most Rev. Richard J. Cushing, D.D., Archbishop of Boston, will be the ordaining prelate.

Father Weis will celebrate his first Solemn High Mass at 10:30 a. m. on Sunday, June 27, at St. James Church, Toledo. Assisting him at the Mass will be the pastor, Rev. Thomas Quinlan, archpriest, and Rev. Gilbert F. Esser, '18, C.P.P.S., of St. Joseph's College, deacon.

Father Weis was graduated from the academy of St. Joseph's in 1941, in which year he entered the Milford (Ohio) Novitiate of the Chicago Province of the Society of Jesus. After pronouncing perpetual vows in 1943, he spent two more years at Milford in the study of the classics. In 1945 he took up philosophy at West Baden College, West Baden Springs, Ind., a department of Loyola University, which awarded him the Bachelor's degree in 1946 and the Master's in 1948. For three years he taught at St. Xavier High School, Cincinnati, and then was



assigned to Weston College for the study of theology. He has written for "America," "The Jesuit Educational Quarterly," "Social Order," and other periodicals.

While at St. Joseph's, Father Weis was an honor student and an officer of the Sanguinist Club for Catholic Action. In this latter capacity he assisted the late Father Grotenrath in the publication of the weekly religious bulletin. He was also high-school representative on the staff of "Stuff," a contributor to "Measure," and president of the Farley Stamp Club.

Registrations Open For All Lay Retreats

Registrations are still open for all four lay retreats to be held on the St. Joseph's campus this summer, but those interested should apply soon to: Director of Lay Retreats (Fr. M. M. Dreiling, C.P.P.S.), Collegeville.

The men's retreats are to be held August 6-8, and August 20-22; women's retreats, July 9-11, and August 13-15. All four will be conducted by the Rev. Urban Hoorman, '31, C.P.P.S., of the Detroit Mission House of the Society of the Precious Blood.

They will begin with dinner at the college at 6 p. m. on Friday, and close with lunch at 3:45 p. m. Sunday.

Many Topics on Tap In Speakers Bureau

The variety of subject matter on tap in the St. Joseph's Speakers Bureau is indicated by the more than thirty engagements already filled since the bureau was set up a few months ago: economics, psychiatry, education, religion and the public schools, Communism, taxes, birth control, Martin Luther, the Index of Forbidden Books, and 20-20 vision.

There have been several commencement addresses, and three or four First Mass sermons not numbered above. The engagements have been before Lions and Kiwanis Clubs, Knights of Columbus, chambers of commerce, Holy Name groups, schools, universities and hospitals.



AT THE CINCINNATI COMMUNION BREAKFAST numerous pictures were taken. One of these is shown above as alumni and friends enjoy the historic occasion.



"BIG HANK" was dedicated just before the close of school in honor of Brother Henry Olberding, who worked 38 years in the powerhouse of St. Joseph's. He is shown in the photo below as he started the new 266-horsepower boiler with a rated capacity of 530 horsepower. The top photo shows Fr. Charles Herber blessing the new unit. "Big Hank" will produce more power than the three older units combined; but they will be retained in the powerhouse for standby use. Costing about \$41,000 installed, the new boiler was manufactured by the Erie City Boiler company and installed by Fridolin Hiller of the college staff and Charles Rougk, a contracted engineer. The insurance inspector, as well as the Erie City representative and the LaClede Stoker man, stated that it is the best installation they have seen anywhere.

